NOTICE TO THE TRADE

ANNUAL INDUSTRY CONFERENCE FOR CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS IN USDA'S POULTRY AND EGG PURCHASE PROGRAM

The Poultry Programs of the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) invites all contractors and poultry and egg suppliers to participate in its annual conference to discuss the AMS commodity purchase and distribution program.

Topics of discussion will include specification updates, other purchase program initiatives, new products, and other topics relating to our purchase programs. Please provide any questions or comments for discussion on the attached registration form.

The date and location of the conference are:

When: Wednesday, April 9, 2003

Where: Courtyard Crystal City by Marriott

2899 Jefferson Davis Highway Arlington, Virginia 22202 Phone: (800) 847-4775

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Courtyard Crystal City at a rate of \$130 a night plus tax. In order to receive this special rate you must call and confirm your room by March 18. The block of rooms are reserved under the name Poultry Programs Industry Conference.

Pre-registration is required. Please return the attached form or register online at www.ams.usda.gov/cp (select "What's New") by February 28, 2003. Please submit any questions or comments in advance so time can be allocated for discussion. If you would like additional information, please contact Dennis Pearson, Chief, Commodity Procurement Branch, Dennis.Pearson@usda.gov (202) 720-7693.

We value your participation and look forward to seeing you at the conference!

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Deputy Administrator

Attachment

REGISTRATION FORM

ANNUAL POULTRY PROGRAMS INDUSTRY CONFERENCE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2003

Location:	
Courtyard Crystal City by Marriott	
2899 Jefferson Davis Highway	
Arlington, Virginia 22202	
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Questions/Comments for discussion:	

FAX TO: (202) 720-5871

OR E-Mail the above information to Dennis.Pearson@usda.gov